CALVIN W. PRICE, EDITOR.

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The Huntersville road. Last week the story did not have much to do with the Huntersville road further than a regiment of federal soldier hodded together in the covered bridge across Greenbrier river on the night of the big snow in 1863, the time the Second West Virginia raided Pocahontas county and struck a

This week we will consider weaving, sheep, deer, and agricultural fairs, among other things, and assign them to the Huntersville road be cause it was on that road that Mary Vance Poage wove the web that won the wealth.

This was in the year 1826. At that the river bottom lands on which the harvest. city of Marlinton is now built. It was the farm of Major William Poage the first sheriff of Pocahontas county. The cours at that time was four years old. The mansion house stood on the east bank of the river nearly that we would have to make our own opposite the mouth of Price run where the ford of Greenbrier river by the riding reck, a big boulder about four feet in every dimension When that boulder could be seen the riyer could be forded by a man on horseback. If it was hid it would not be attempted by the ordinary rider. There was a shallower ford at the island, called Marlins ford, and sometimes the horsemen rode around by that ford when the water was too high at the regular place. In the record flood of 1877, that riding rock was shoved down the river without turning over for a hundred yards and it came to rest again in the same way that it had served at the ford. Its slightly rounded top was right side up, and it was no longer needed as a riding rock, but when the rafting business sprang up and became so im or ant on the Greenbrier river with and pilots and crews, it served to . a k a tide in the river sufficient to

ten under way. I cannot remember seeing the plantation buildings of the Pozge home stead, except the main hall after it was deserted and used as a barn to stere hay in. It was a huge two story log house with a hall through it and big rooms on each side and must have been an impressive pioneer house. It has been pulled down about fifty years, and its place is marked by some signs of an apple orchard at that piace,

that rock was hid, the raft was got

wood. He died young. He was a classmate of William C. Preston, the famous South Carolina senator and judge, and the two were the bright particular stars of their class at Washington College. Preston's grand m r was a sister of Patrick Henry. Gatewood was his rival in oratory. Much was expected of him when his career was terminated in his youth by death. There have been a lot of Andrew Gatewood's namesakes in the mountains. I am one of them myself. The children by her second marriage included the four beautiful daughters, Rachel Beard, Mary Vance Moffett, Sally McChesney, and Margaret Davies Price, from whom a large number of persons trace their

The second daughter was Mary Vance Poage. She was a great beauty and noted for her accomplishments One of them was the ability to weave. That was a part of the education requred of ung ladles in the pioneer aving was more than a trade or a household duty. It was the symbol of the independence of the colonies from the control of England. When the parliament had Ben jamin Franklin to make a trip to England and questioned him in execntive session as to whether there was any danger of the American colonies ing in a revolt sgainst England, he sold them that there was just such canger. They argued that this could not come about for the reason that Thompson, and all together she in revolt against England, that the colonists muld not procure cloth to clothe themselves. Franklin told them that the people of the new world had already provided for this by putting a bar to the killing of sheep and by putting looms in the houses of the people. The House of Commons refused to believe Franklin but it turned out just as he said

In the year 1826, Mary Vance Plage, seventeen years old, wore a plece of all wool carpet, one yard took and twenty yards long for vich she received the first prize at Albermarie Agricultural Society,

I think that all of our clan ought to Je prouder of that than a most enything else that has happened in

In 1817, thirty men met in Charlottesville to form a farmers associao for the promotion of agriculture ... counties were represented, Albemarle, Nelson, Fluvanna, Orange and Louisa. Among the thirty were two presidents of the United States. two governors of Virginia a United States Senator Ambassador to England, a member of the Supreme Court of the United States, a general of the United States army, a Secretary of War, and other distinguished farmers Then as now to be a farmer is greater

than to be a king Thomas Jefferson was seventy four meeting he was not chosen president of the society, that honor falling to another ex-president, James Madison

another ex-president, James Madison of Orange county.

Among those present were Thomas Jefferson, James Madison, James Barbour, Thomas M. Bandolph, John C. abell, Wilson J. Cary, Miles Cary, Jam Bolling, Thomas B. Harrison, William Harrison, Dr. Mann

respectable gathering

comply with the code of honor. To miles were wholly dependent upon milk another man's cow for hire was degredation. A good deal of that spirit is needed in the mountains of West Virginia today. If it was carried out it would mean that the delt in the mountains of the virginia today. If it was carried out it would mean that the delt takes affects to increase the mould be read to the cold takes.

America. It is probably Jefferson's of wend. And the establishment of Mary Vance Poage's carpet was lides. Husbandry and the arts connected with it were the objects. For the cintibing towns of England is not tion was that it should be woven at instance a prize was offered for an meressary as it is where the business the house of the exhibitor. time there was but one plantation on improved grain cradle for the wheat is to be carried on for the purpose of I would like to know what has

And another department took into consideration the importance of weav ing, for as they remarked in the resolution that if Congress kept on with

it is hard to say what a young wowas located. The ford was marked if it was suggested to her that in her by walkes and by Indians and they leisure moments, to keep time from banging heavy on her hands, that she weave twenty yards of cloth. The weavers have left us. I do not know of anyone who weaves cloth Possibly we could get a rag carpet woven on some of the looms of the county, but the practise of making homespun for clothes has entirely played out so far as I know. And it seems but the other day when home made jeans was common for clothes, and urine was used in the dye opera-

Weaving was a great splace to the lonely lives of the frontier womer. It was scothing to the nerves and made the women healthy and hearty. The only part of the art that has for linens. And still there was a come down to me is the ability to tie a weaver's knot, that knot that will never slip, and in which the ends of the string lie true with the direction car a full sized raft to the railway of the string, so that it may be wowen at Ronceverte, a raft of a hunin without leaving a mark. housand feet of lumber. When In the case of the prize carpet,

Mary Vance Poage had an aunt living on a plantation near Charlottesville. It was Aunt Elizabeth Warwick Woods, the wife of Col. William finck up to 800 and the average Woods, of Albemarie, There were so children in their family and Mary half pounds, just about double the Vance Posge was about as near kin average fluere. But after he had as was known in that home noted for its hospitality. Then you have the New York and Philadelphia, this picture of the seventeen year old girl floor dwindled to 200 with an average on the bank of the Greenbrier river, clip of two and a half pounds. weaving the twenty yards of pure wool carpet during the long winter evenings, the wrapping up the fabric and the long horseback ride up the first prize of ten dollars, and all was fairnly pientiful at one time. I do not know whether any of these controversy. Some bush lawyer sheep are in existence or not sprung the high point that the carrest. The Albemarie society could not came from Pocahontas county and get up much enthusiasm for sheep that the society had no member in One year there were not exhibits Pocahontas county, and that the ex enough to take all the prizes. They hibits were limited to those counties included by membership in the so ciety. These valley counties were all right but from the other side of the

western waters could compete. deal of horse sense. The kind that and that all of us folks had better was always needed to keep the east- get nearly to make our own cloth. ern and western portions of the commonwealth of Virginia from could have hardly accomplished in fighting. It admitted that the rule fifthy years as much oppression has was stated by the contender, but it had been heaped upon us in a few said that as the young lady did not wears by the unjust and partial poliknown of the rule, and that as the cy of a government of our own instifabric was the best shown, they would let the prize stand as a discretionary prize, and that they would award the same amount as a second prize to a Mrs Meriwether, who had

big divide no. Nothing from the

also exhibited in this class. So that was one way out of the difficulty. That Mary Vance Poage married Robert Beale, who died leaving his wife and a daughter. Mary Vance Beale married the second time Henry M. Moffett, clerk of the course Her daughter Margaret Beale married Dr. Geo. B. Moffett. Their son was James A. Moffett. Mary's daugh ter Evalina married Col. Wm. P. might be termed a grandmother and a mother in-law of the Standard Oil Company, ante dating the Bockefeller domination, and working along with

It would be a good thing if the oom as a part of the equipment of It is not so important however

from a commercial standpoint as it is for the restoration of the steady habits of the pioneers.

A question has been raised by the figures as to the kill of dear in the open season of 1927. Considerably more than half of those killed in West Virginia were killed in Pocahontas county. The reason is the rich range that is to be found in these mountains, and what is good for deer is good for sheep. If we had ten times as many sheep in Pocahoutas county as we have now, it would

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work in another man's land or in an- When the English government other man's factory, but he could questioned Franklin about the con-work on his own land and not lose infility of a revolution, they asked caste. To milk your own cow was to

Sheep had a hard time to get a the tariff on cloth that it would mean the come to Virginia-were imported in weaves are treasured by the descendwere but three thousand sleep in the colony. They were subject to raids were kept for the most part on is ands in the sea. Massachusetts got his first sheep in 1624, and twenty years after that had but one thousand

In the New England states the farmers hired a community shep-beril who tended the flocks in the apmoner at so much per head penning them every night.

It was not until the Revolution that the sheep industry got under good head way. The year 1774 there were about twenty thousand lambs buildhead for the Philadelphia marbet, and in 1775, hardly any. The T. S. McNeel, as administrator of the that the sheep industry got under people began to weave on their own hour, would for warm clothes, and flax great suffering during the Revolution for cirtin, and a great trade grew up in smuggled woolens that were bought in England, sent to France, and from there throught to the American colo-

After the war was over the sheep industry continued to prosper. The must successful sheep raiser was George Washington. He bred his weight of the fleece was five and a served eight years as president in

In 1791, on the farm of Seth Wright, must Buston, was dropped a

made a special report reminding the people that the federal government were bearing flown hard on southern industry and that the country was being min for the benefit of the hotted flavorities, the manufacturing es-Then the committee showed a good tabilishments of the east and west,

Aunt Elizabeth Woods, in addition

THE POCAHONTAS TIMES Page, William Merriwesther, George make the people of the county rich. to prize won by her neice Mary, seems a bushel of corn and a little hay to have been a great weaver. She for the Postoffice at Mariin Rives. Thomas J. Bandolph. and or findles will winter a sheep and in gets first prize for hest piece of linen. The aristocracy of Virginia has sections crange has become cranged 20 yards long and 1 yard wide; first the admirable trait of making the and the impostry may be thrown back for the best piece of negro's outside winter clothing, three fourths of a respectable. The noble could not have mountains piece of white flannel; first for the best piece of linen shirting; and first for most complete suit of clothes of domestic manufacture, this being Col. William Woods' sult, which beat Mr. James Duke by a small

ried out it would mean that the rich mountain land would be readed up and the wilderness would bloom like thous to more lamb, and very an Angular Ballance to fest ploughs a rose.

The Albermarie society is one of the oldest farmer's organizations in prodlighous difference in the quantity into the farm implement business.

> traffs. The geogle will spin and become of that piece of warpet. The work for themselves, in their own lady departed this life in the Levels. become of that piece of carpet The Her last home on earth was the brick house now owned by George P. Edgar that in the colonies. The first sheep A great many pieces of elaborate 1800, but first years after that there ants of Mary Vance Warwick, who days in Pocahontas county. For at least three generations of her descendants prided themselves on their ability to sew a fine seam, and spin, and weave. But it is a lost art now The present generation would not weave. They are afraid to. They might set the works on fire with a

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estate of Madison Wilson, deceas-James Wilson, Gene Wilson, Anna Belle Wilson, F. P. McLaughlin,

Marlinton Electric Company, a corporation, T. D. Moore, J. A. McLaughlin, T. J. Mason, H. G. Thomas, Montgomery Ward and Company, a corporation. Poca-hontas Memorial Hospital, D. W. Williams, Elihu Robinson, Far-mers and Merchants Bank, a corporation, T H.- Hiner, Williams & Pifer Lumber Company, a corporation, C. J. Richardson, L. M. McClintic, Trustee, George W. McClintic, Trustee, George W. McClintic, D. C. Adkison, A. G. Killing-worth, J. E. Ruckley, Trustee, and all other k. Buckley, Trustee, and all other creditors of the estate of Madison Wilson, deceased,

The object of the above entitled suit is to settle the accounts of the said Administrator and subject the longe married the Widow Gate wood, a brilliant woman, a daughter of Jacob Warwick. Her first hus band was William Gatewood, of the Mountain Grove plantation. He was a widower and she was left a young widow with one child, Andrew Gate wood. He died young He was county was awarded the wood. He died young He was county was awarded the wood. He died young He was county was awarded the wood. He died young He was county was awarded the wood. He died young He was county was awarded the wood and the long horseback ride up the shapping up the saping the up the shapping up the saping in America. It was called the other shapping up the saping the up the real estate of which the said Madison Wilson died seized to the payment of his debts, and for the payment of his debts, and op a his method that the payment of his debts, and for the payment of his debts, Ward and Company, a corporation, are non-residents of the State of West Virginia; it is ordered that they do appear here within one month after the dateof the first publication hereof and do what is necessary to protect their interest inhis suit.

A copy, teste: D. C. ADKISON, Clerk. A. P. Edgar, Counsel.

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At rules held in the office of the Circuit Court of Pocahontas County, West Virginia on the first Monday in the month of February, 1928.

W. B. Barlow, Sheriff of Pocahontas county, and as such Administrator of the estate of Eliza A. Mc-Cloud, deceased.

In Chancery Butler Sharp, Bertha Galford, Flor-ence Smith, Ruth Collins, David

Williams Gragg.

The object of the above entitled suit is to subject the real estate of Eliza A. McCloud, deceased, to the 1. A tract of land containing 83 payment of her debts and for general

This day came the plaintiff, by his attorney, and upon his motion, and it appearing from attidavit filed in this cause that diligence has been used without effect, to determine in what county of this State the defendants Clarence Gragg, Burket Gragg, Pauline Gragg, Napolean Gragg, Lee Gragg and William Gragg, are located and that the defendant. Florence Smith, is a non-resident of the State of West Virginia. It is therefore ordered that the defendants, Clarence Gragg, Burket Gragg, Pauline Gragg, Napolean Gragg, Lee Gragg, William Gragg and Florence Smith, do appear here within one month from hand on day of sale, and the residue. appear here within one month from the date of the first publication hereof and do what is necessary to pro-tect their interests in this suit. D. C. Adkison, Clerk A. P Edgar, Atty,

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State of West Virginia
At rules held in the Clerk's office
of the Circuit Court of Pocahontas
county on Monday, the 6th of February, 1928. M. G. Garber and D. W. Garber, trad-

ing as Garber Brothers Plaintiffs J. L. Cramer and G. C. Cramer, trading as Cramer Brothers
Defendants

The object of the above entitled suit is to attach the property and estate of the defendants found in Pocahontas county, West Virginia, sufficient to pay the debt of the plaintiffs amounting to \$553.65 with interest from the 25th day of July 1927, and the costs of this suit, and for general relief. This day came the plaintiffs by their attorney and upon general relief. This day came the plaintiffs by their attorney and upon his motion and it appearing by affidavit filed in this cause that J. L. Cramer and G. C. Cramer are non-residents of the State of West Virginia It is ordered that they do appear here within one month after the date of the first publication hereof and do what is necessary to protect their interests.

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Tuesday, March 13, 1928 Gragg, Charles Gragg, Mary Burner, James Gragg, Clarence Gragg
Mattie Van Reenan, Burket Gragg
Pauline Gragg, Napolean Gragg,
James R. Gragg, Lee Gragg and
Williams Gragg

poles more or less on the west side of the Greenbrier River at Cass, known

hand on day of sale, and the residupon credit of six and twelve mont in equal installments, with interest, the purchaser giving notes with good personal security the title to be retained as ultimate security.

ANDREW PRICE

I, D C. Adkison, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Pocahontas county do certify that Andrew Price, Special Commissioner, has executed bond as required by sold documents. re quired by said decree.

D. C. Aokison, Clerk.

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State of West Virginia

At rules held in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Pocahontas county on Monday the 6th day of February, 1928. J. C. Harper, as Administrator of the estate of R. D. Rimel, deceased,

Harry L Rin.el, George D. Rimel

Lawrence Rimel, Mrs. Lollied Gum. Mrs. Lelia Ring and Leslie Rimel, Dr. H. C. Soiter, Dr. J. M. Yeager, Dr. N. R. Price, C. J. Richardson, S. B. Wallace and Company, a corporation, The Pocahontas Memorial Hospital, The Virginia Joint Stock Land Bank, a corporation, John H. Shrader, Jerome B. Rice Seed Company, a corporation, C. A. Gum, Z. S. Smith, Sr., T. H. Hiner, T. J. Mason, trading as the Marlinton Bottling Works, and all other creditors of the estate of R. D. Rimel, deceased Defendants.

The object of the above entitled suit is to subject the real estate of R. D. Rimel. deceased, to the pay-R. D. Rimel. deceased, to the payment of his debts, the personal estate being insufficient, and for general relief. This day came the plaintiff by his attorney and it appearing by affidavit filed in this cause that George D. Rimel, Mrs. Lollie Gum, Mrs. Lelia Ring, Leslie Rimel. Lawrence Rimel, The Jerome B. Rice Seed Company, a corporation, and C. A. Gum are non-residents of the State of West Virginia; it is ordered that they do appear here within one month after the date of the first publication hereof and do what is necessary to protect their interests in this suit.

A Copy Teste : D. C. Adkison, Clerk A. P. Edgar, Counsel.

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